

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT (Robert Schlipf)
MEETING DATE: January 11, 2006

ITEM: 7

SUBJECT: **ConocoPhillips Company, San Francisco Refinery, Rodeo, Contra Costa County** – Hearing to Consider Mandatory Minimum Penalty (MMP) for Discharge of Partially Treated Wastewater to Waters of the State

CHRONOLOGY: The Board has not previously considered this matter

DISCUSSION: ConocoPhillips violated its NPDES permit's effluent limits 41 times during the period between July 1, 2003, and August 31, 2005. Thirty-seven of these violations are subject to MMPs for a total of \$111,000, of which \$63,000 will be suspended to fund supplemental environmental projects (SEPs).

ConocoPhillips has signed a waiver to a hearing (Appendix B), and proposes to undertake up to three separate SEPs. Specifically, ConocoPhillips proposes to fund (a) CREEC's invasive plant eradication project on Edwards Creek in Crockett, (b) the East Bay Conservation Corps restoration of Rodeo Creek, and stewardship of the 702-acre Fernandez Ranch in West Contra Costa County, and (c) Friends of the San Francisco Estuary to support the availability of, and public access to discharge and ambient water information that is generated by various dischargers in the San Francisco Bay Area.

RECOMMENDATION: No action required

File Number: 2119.1051 (RS)

Appendices: A. Complaint No. R2-2005-0052
B. Signed Waiver
C. SEP Proposal